

NEWS RELEASE

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SUBJECT: NPD Investigating Late Report of Armed Robbery

NPD is investigating a late report of an armed robbery that occurred on September 21st at approximately 5:30pm on Apple Road near Sunset Road. The victim stated that two black male suspects approached him and that one suspect claimed he was a lost student. That suspect then pulled a grey handgun and demanded cash and the victim's cell phone. After the victim complied, the suspects fled east bound on Sunset Road.

Suspect #1 is described as a black male, 20-22 years old, 5'08" to 5'09", Afro-style haircut, medium muscular build wearing light colored jeans, white t-shirt and carrying a black pack.

Suspect #2 is described as a black male, 5'07" to 5'08", 20-25 years old with a skinny build and short buzz cut hairstyle, wearing glasses, jeans, and a black graphic t-shirt.

No surveillance footage is available at this time.

NPD is investigating any links among the recent cell phone robberies. NPD encourages students and residents to walk in groups when possible, to avoid openly displaying valuables and promptly reporting any suspicious activity.

Anyone with additional information on this incident should contact Detective Daniel Bystricky at 302-366-7110 ext. 132 or daniel.bystricky@cj.state.de.us. You can send an anonymous text message tip by texting 302NPD and your message to TIP411. Information can also be provided anonymously to Crime Stoppers at 1-800-TIP-3333 or via the internet at www.tipsubmit.com where a reward may be available.

The Newark Police Department affirms that all defendants are presumed innocent until proven guilty beyond a reasonable doubt.

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